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E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: TSPA, JA

SUBJ: NASA RELATIONS WITH JSS

REFS: A) STATE 83458, B) STATE 80343, C) TOKYO 4980,

D) CHRISTENSEN/BLOOM TELECON 4/12/77

1. CHARGE HAS STUDIED JSS/NASA MATTER FROM POLICY VIEWPOINT AND BELIEVES THAT SECOND ALTERNATIVE (PARA 2, REFTEL A) IS WORKABLE. EMBASSY HAS A PROBLEM SIMILAR TO NASA'S. WE ARE WILLING TO PROVIDE FACILITATIVE SUPPORT BUT DO NOT WISH TO BE IDENTIFIED AS "SPONSOR" OR SPACE EXHIBIT IF JSS, A PRIVATE ORGANIZATION, IS ONLY JAPANESE ENTITY INVOLVED. IF BASE OF JAPANESE PARTICIPATION AND SPONSORSHIP IS BROADENED TO INCLUDE GOJ AGENCIES--EVEN IF JSS STILL HAS A ROLE--OUR PROBLEMS ARE DIMINISHED PROPORTIONATELY.

2. ALTHOUGH THERE IS SOME RISK IN HAVING EMBOFF ATTEND 4/18 MEETING ON BEHALF NASA (I.E., PRESENCE OF EMBOFF WILL ENABLE JSS TO CLAIM USG DIRECT INVOLVEMENT), THIS IS PROBABLY ONLY WAY THAT WE WILL GET ON-THE-SPOT ASSESSMENT OF WHAT IS GOIN ON, LEVEL OF GOJ PARTICIPATION IN PLANNING OF EXHIBIT, AND DETAILS ON THPE OF EXHIBIT; AND TO REBUT OVERLY ENTHUSIASTIC STATEMENTS ABOUT NATURE OF U.S. ASSISTANCE TO EXHIBIT.

3. THROUGH INFO PROVIDED REF D. AND OUR OWN KNOWLEDGE WE BELIEVE THAT MEANINGFUL SPACE EXHIBIT ATTRACTING LARGE NUMBERS OF JAPANESE COULD BE SET UP WITH GOJ INVOLVEMENT. SO FAR WE HAVE APPROACHED NO

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ONE WITH THIS IDEA AND WE PROPOSE NOT TAKING THIS ACTION UNTIL AFTER 4/18 JSS MEETING.

4. IF JSS AGREES TO EMBOFF'S ATTENDANCE AT 4/18 MEETING, PLEASE ADVISE BY IMMEDIATE CABLE.
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